

Rehabilitation of fishermen of Orissa

2867. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of fishermen in Orissa were affected by cyclone in the State in October, 1999 and they have not been rehabilitated till date;

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay in their rehabilitation;

(c) whether Government have any proposal to rehabilitate them at the earliest; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) to (d) The Government of Orissa has informed that fishermen of 12 districts were affected by the super cyclone, resulting in loss/damage to boats and nets. The rehabilitation measures are going on and the State Government is reportedly paying assistance of Rs. 3000/- per boat and Rs. 1500/- per net to the affected fishermen and funds have been placed at the disposal of the District Collectors to rehabilitate the fishermen.

Rehabilitation of cyclone and earthquake victims

2868. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all the cyclone victims of Orissa and earthquake victims of Uttaranchal have not been provided with proper rehabilitation so far;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken to provide these natural calamities victims suitable rehabilitation at the earliest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) to (c) The

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Government of Orissa has informed that Rs. 27428.42 lakhs has been allocated to 14 cyclone affected districts for disbursement of house building grants at the rate of Rs. 3,500/- to each washed away house, Rs. 2,000/- to each fully collapsed house and Rs. 1,000/- to partly collapsed house. Out of the washed away and fully collapsed houses, reconstruction of 2 lakhs house has been provided under Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) Scheme. 1,75,000 families have been provided loan from HUDCO, and different NGOs have reconstructed 5000 houses.

The Government of Uttaranchal has not reported the position.

Drought and flood in A.P.

2869. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names and the number of districts in Andhra Pradesh affected by drought and flood during the year 2000-2001;

(b) the relief and rehabilitation measures undertaken in those districts; and

(c) the details of the Central assistance extended to the State for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) The Government of Andhra Pradesh reported that 20 districts viz. Adilabad, Anantpur, Cuddapah, East Godavari, Guntur, Hyderabad, Karimnagar, Khamam, Krishna, Kurnool, Medak, Mehboobnagar, Nalgonda, Nellore, Nizamabad, Prakasham, Rangareddy, Visakhapatnam, Warangal and West Godavari have been affected by floods during 2000-2001. No report on drought like situation due to deficient rainfall during south-west monsoon 2000 period has been received from the State.

(b) Distribution of relief and undertaking necessary measures, at the ground level, is the responsibility of the State Government. The measures reportedly taken by the State Government include evacuation of people to safer places, payment of ex-gratia to the next